

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 4177-01
BILL NO.: HB 1805
SUBJECT: Salary Increases - Court Clerks
TYPE: Original
DATE: February 7, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue	(\$1,171,268)	(\$1,440,659)	(\$1,476,675)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(\$1,171,268)	(\$1,440,659)	(\$1,476,675)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (CTS)** assume the proposed legislation would grant a \$2,000 salary increase to all circuit court employees in the job classifications of Court Clerk II and Court Clerk III who work directly for a judge. CTS assumes the term “work directly for a judge” would be open to some interpretation depending upon the local structure from county to county. Under the law, there are multiple appointing authorities in every county. CTS assumes there are approximately 585 FTE who could be eligible for the increase. For purposes of this fiscal note, CTS has calculated employees budgeted at less than forty hours at the appropriate proportion of \$2,000. Thus, a half-time employee (0.5 FTE) has been calculated to receive a \$1,000 salary increase.

CTS assumes this proposal would result in a direct payroll cost of \$1,170,000 (\$2,000 X 585 FTE). Fringe benefits are estimated at 20.13% of payroll, as insurance costs would not be affected. Overall, CTS assumes the total cost would be approximately \$1,405,521 annually.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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GENERAL REVENUE FUND

<u>Cost</u> - State Courts Administrator (CTS)			
Personal Service (585 FTE)	(\$975,000)	(\$1,199,250)	(\$1,229,231)
Fringe Benefits	<u>(\$196,268)</u>	<u>(\$241,409)</u>	<u>(\$247,444)</u>
<u>Total Costs</u> - CTS	(\$1,171,268)	(\$1,440,659)	(\$1,476,675)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$1,171,268)</u>	<u>(\$1,440,659)</u>	<u>(\$1,476,675)</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation would give a \$2,000 salary increase to Court Clerk II's and Court Clerk III's who work directly for a circuit or an associate circuit judge.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Court Administrator

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Director
February 7, 2000